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"Nobody Home," the crisp comedy, with music, is back again in Washington, with practically all of the company which entertained so delightfully in its original performance here. The audience at the Belasco last night greeted Lawrence Grossmith and his dancing and singing comedians with seemingly as much enthusiasm as any roduction of its kind has ever received

England trout-fishing Englishman, who lands in a red plush and tango New York hotel in the middle of the night, with his groom Platt and an enormous amount of typically English luggage, including guns, golf clubs, fishing tackle and a stuffed squirrel. With that atmosphere for a starter, Mr. Grossmith works upward, laughingly, artistically and with admirable control of his work at all times. He makes use of the suppressed style of humor most effectively. He has but one song, "Bed, Wonderful Bed," in which the audience unconsciously joined in yawning, a compli-

Poli's.

The Poli Players gave much amusement to a characteristic audience last night. with their personality injected into a rollicking farce comedy by Edward Peple, 'A Full House." It is a series of laughable tangles that makes the popular leading man, A. H. Van Buren, a burglar who loses his plunder in a railroad accident and entangles Fen Taggart, a lawyer, but a really good husband, with his wife, because by mistake he takes the burglar's loot in a traveling bag thinking it is his own, and Eugene Desmond, as Ned Pembroke, in love with the suspicious wife's sister, who has been imprudent enough to write letters to a designing chorus girl. Then there is Maude Gilbert as Sister Susie from Sioux City, who gets the burglar's bag of jewels and telephones the police, and a domineering aunt who does not help matters much except to add to the laughter.

It is another of those plays—and a new one, by the way, for Poli audiences—which furnishes abundant material for a laughing evening and makes the audience suspect that the players themselves are enjoying the performance quite as much as any one else. The ability of the company, from its gifted leading man and its new leading woman down to its humblest member in a minor role, is manifest throughout in a thoroughly enjoyable performance. ing man, A. H. Van Buren, a burglar

B. F. Keith's.

Valerie Bergere is presenting "Cherry Blossoms," a portrayal of Japanese girl life, in which romance has its happy ending, for the first time at Keith's this week. She is capably assisted by Herbert Warren, Harry M. Smith, Stuyvesant at Moore's Garden Theater, drew large

dances.
Kitty Mitchell, Jean Carothers and Florence Mills lead an attractive chorus through many snappy songs and dance features.

Film Features.

Mary Pickford, now not only a picture star of the first rank, but a picproduction of its kind has ever received here. Moreover, the experience which "Nobody Home" has received en tour has worked to its advantage, if anything, for last night's performance seemed quite the "top notch."

Lawrence Grossmith, a member of a widely known family of English entertainers, has an inimitable role in "Nobody Home." It is that of a North-of-England trout-fishing Englishman, who lands in a red plush and tango New factory which threatens their life and

He has but one song, "Bed, Wonderful Bed," in which the audience unconsciously joined in yawning, a compliment that no applause could equal.

Charles Judels, as a foreigner built on combined lines of a vaudeville Italian and a comic-paper Frenchman, murders the English language in manner most approved in musical comedy. He has a fun-producing part and works it to its limit. Part of his drollery lies in the fact that the playwright has made him marry a large mission-oak Michigan wife, who, after the manner of musical comedy wives, spends her evenings suspecting her husband of something he never does. In this case she is Maude Odell.

The artistic touch is laid upon "Nobody Home" by Nigel Barrie, whose appearance in evening clothes should make him a proud young man. He also "dances diviriely," to borrow an expression. Mignon McGibney, his partner, is a graceful dancer also; the two have evolved some very pretty features. Zoe Barnett has taken the part of "Tony" Miller, originally played by Adele Rowland. One of her startling innovations is a pair of stockings with wall paper designs. Specialty dancing by Quentin Tod, Miss McBain and Helen Clarke enliven the performance.

Poli's.

Barriscale and William Desmond in th leading roles. It is a novel wartime drama and shows that brown eyes when flashed by a winsome girl, car when hashed by a winsome girl, can create havoc as well as do bullets. Laid in the mythical country of Bothalia, the story depicts the successful efforts of an intrepld girl to save her father's kingdom from invasion by the troops of his nearby enemy. "The Village Vampire," an amusing picture of small town life, with Fred Mace, Pauline Moran and Mack Swain, was the other feature. Both are being shown today.

Crandall's.

"The Struggle," the photoplay feature in which Frank Sheridan and Ethel Gray Terry are picture stars, which was shown at Crandall's yesterday, presents a new phase of the "eterday, presents a new phase of the "eternal triangle," the love of two men for one woman. It is characterized by swift action which makes it impossible for the spectator to forecast the outcome until the last hundred feet of the final reel. Two army surgeons—Carew and Dames—love Marjorie Caldwell. Carew is the older and to Marjorie it seems that his feeling is rather that of paternal affection. She chooses Dames, who is more ardent. For a time after their marriage all goes well, then another woman becomes the center of her husband's attentions and the trouble begins, leading to a shipwreck and a suicide. Today and tomorrow Robert Warwick is pictured in "Human Driftwood," with Frances Nelson.

Ethel Barrymore, as the picture star bert Warren, Harry M. Smith, Stuyvesant at Moore's Garden Theater, drew large Kinslow, Katherine Kavanaugh and Effie Bordine.

Eva Tanguay, in "cyclonic songs of self-glorification," justified every restless adjective that heralded her coming; shed several costumes of spangles, tinsel leaves and pink plumes and disported herself,

way to Siberia and their pursuit by Cossack guards. H. Cooper Cliffe, W. L. Abbingdon, Ilean Hume and Richard Elliott, a Washingtonian, are seen in the cast. Frank Daniels in a hilarious picture farce-comedy, "Mr. Jack, Hash Magnate," was the other attraction. These features will hold the screen until Wednesday.

Special Film Features.

CRANDALL'S APOLLO—Today, Holbrook Blinn, in "The Unpardonable Sin." Tomorrow, Cleo Ridgley, in "The Washington, in "Freddy Versus Hamlet." Sunday, Robert Edeson, in "For a Woman's Fair Name."

WASHINGTON - REGENT — Today,

AQUEDUCT BRIDGE BILL REPORTED TO SENATE

Provides That Other Interurban Roads Than Old Dominion May

House judiciary committee in order to Georgetown for sand-digging grounds obtain the majority vote necessary to down river with a lighter; tug John bring about the favorable reporting of the federal suffrage resolution. Miss Anne Martin of Nevada, chairman of with brickmaking clay; tug Eugenia arrived with lighters at District sand wharf

ALONG THE RIVER FRONT.

Arrivals.

Schooner Thomas Parks, shad and at the 11th street wharf for the market; schooner C. B. Shepherd, at Alexandria with pulp wood from a Potoma point for shipment to paper-making mills; steamer Newport News, from Norfolk and Old Point to the Norfoll and Washington Steamboat Company and washington steamboat Company, power boat Neddie, at Alexandria after merchandise for a Potomac shore; United States Army steamer Captain A. M. Wetherlll, from Fort Washington and Fort Hunt, after army stores and

Departures.

assengers

Schooner S. Sawyer, light, for a lower Potomac point to load back to Alexandria or this city; schooner Lanclott light, for a Potomac point, via Alexandria, after lumber or wood for this port; schooner Idelia A. Moore, light from the Eastern branch for Mattawoman creek after cord wood for local dealers: steamer Northumberland, for Potomac landings and Baltimore: steamer Southland, for Old Point and Norfolk; steamer Majestic, for river landings to Nomini and Lower Machodoc creek; steamer Wakefield, for upper river landings to Mattawoman creek.

Tugs and Tows.

Tug Louise arrived with lighters in tow from Occoquan for the District; tug Captain Toby delivered lighter at Marshall Hall to load railroad ties and returned light; tug Minerva left

United States inspection launch Dixie is in port at lighthouse service wharf: United States naval fuel ship Mars has arrived at Baltimore from this city; schooner Mabel and Ruth is due to sail from Elizabeth City for this port with pine lumber; schooner Oakland, at Maryland point, is loading rand, at Maryland point, is loading cord wood for this market; schooner Brooklyn has arrived in Bretons bay from Annapolis and will load cord wood for dealers here; schooner J. A. Holland is on her way to this city with lumber from a lower Potomac point; flattie Bradshaw is at Alexandria with oysters from the Potomac beds.

Fine Arts Society Meets Tomorrow

The annual meeting of the Washing ton Society of the Fine Arts is to be held in the auditorium of the National Museum Wednesday evening at S:17 o'clock. In connection with this meet ng. a lecture will be given by Mrs. Mrs. A lecture will be given by Mrs. William A. Hutcheson of New York on "Hedges and Other Aspects of Landscape Gardening." Mrs. Hutcheson is a practical landscape gardener and under her direction some of the finest estates in New England have been developed. She will illustrate her lecture with more than 100 stereopticon slides.

Mrs. Anna B. Miller, ninety-five, died at her home in Baltimore from pneu-monia. The illness was the only one Mrs. Miller had suffered since the days of her infancy.

No. 3

Is this the Time to Start a Government Armor Plant?

To the Members of Congress:

It would require at least three years to build a plant ready to produce armor for battleships.

At a hearing before the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs on January 25, 1916, Rear-Admiral Strauss, Chief of the Naval Bureau of Ordnance, said:

"We estimated we would have the plant completed in three years from the time we were authorized to ce it. That estimate was made about a year ago, and undoubtedly now the time would have to be increased a cost would have to be increased if the present prices and demand for all these materials re-

plant; Because: First A world war is on. That war has already taught many important military lessons. Its teachings

There is reason for very deliberate consideration of the proposal to build a Government armor

as to naval warfare remain to be seen. It may be that swift battle cruisers will prove more effective than dreadnoughts; if so, only ene-third of the armer now estimated will be required. Other naval lessons of this war may be equally important.

Second The lessons of this war will surely become clear before the proposed Government plant could be ready. By the time it was ready, the problem it was created to solve might have completely

The armor estimates for the next five years call for 24,000 tons a year. If battle cruisers supplant dreadnoughts armor for the same number of ships could be supplied by 3,000 or 9,000 tons a year. Existing plants have a capacity of 32,000 tons a year.

Existing armor plants represent an actual investment of upwards of \$20,000,000. These plants are useless for any other purpose than making armor. The American Government is their only customer, and these plants came into existence solely to supply the needs of the American Government.

The Senate Bill to duplicate—and render valueless, these existing facilities would cost the people at least the proposed \$11,000,000 appropriation.

> If the Government plant is completed, assuming that even its capacity will then be required, there will be no promise of effecting economies or obtaining results which cannot be realized without building a Government plant.

> Existing plants can supply every need of the country for armor for at least five years to come, and they will supply it at whatever price the Government itself shall name as fair.

At a time when every problem of warfare is in the melting pot, when Government expenditures are necessarily so large, when new and added taxes are under consideration:—

Is it wise to spend \$11,000,000, when by such expenditure no saving can be realized which may not now, and with existing facilities, be guaranteed to the people?

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